Course Overview

Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

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Course Description

Ground school

- Six hours
- Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights
- On-water instruction
 - Ten hours
 - Saturday morning
 - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday evenings

Ground School – Monday Night

- Introduction
 - Course Overview
- Preparation for sailing
 - Required safety equipment
- Wind direction
- Basic boat nomenclature
 - Hull & Standing rigging
 - Sails & Running rigging
- Sail theory and trim
- Basic knots

Ground School – Tuesday Night

- Rigging sailboat (dockside)
- Points of sail
- Steering, Tacking and Jibing
- Navigation rules
- Local rules

Ground School – Thursday Night

- Walk marina & waterfront
- Weather
- Tides & currents
- Landings
- Crew overboard recovery
- Anchoring and grounding
- Review
- Written examination

On-water Training Saturday Morning

- Preparing to sail.
- Basic knots.
- Leaving dock.
- Starting, stopping, speed control.
- Sail trimming.
- Aids to navigation.
- Tacking.
- Safety position.
- Getting out of irons.
- Returning to dock.
- Break
- Preparing to sail.
- Leaving the dock.
- Jibing.
- Steering with weight and sails.
- Returning to dock.
- Securing the boat.

On-water Training Monday Evening

- Preparing to sail.
- Leaving the dock.
- Sail trimming.
- Tacking.
- Jibing.
- Steering with weight & sails
- Overboard recovery.
- Heaving-to.
- Returning to dock.
- Securing the boat.

On-water Training Tuesday Evening

- Preparing to sail.
- Shortening sail.
- Leaving the dock.
- Sail trimming.
- Tacking.
- Jibing.
- Overboard recovery.
- Heave-to.
- Sailing a course.
- Maneuvering in confined areas.
- Returning to dock.
- Securing the boat.

On-water Training Thursday Evening

- Check ride
- Preparing to sail.
- Leaving the dock.
- Sail trimming.
- Tacking.
- Jibing.
- Sailing a course.
- Overboard recovery.
- Returning to dock.
- Securing the boat.

Schedule Overview

Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
GS1 1900	GS2 1900		GS3 1900		OW1 0800	
2100	2100		2100		1200	
OW2	OW3		OW4			
1700 ~	1700 ~		1700			
1900	1900		1900			

^{*} Times of on-water training are scheduled to end 30 minutes before sunset.